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The Major League of Negro Baseball

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New York Black Yankees
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Toledo Crawfords

TO ALL MEMBERS OF NEGRO NATIONAL LEAGUE

Dear Sir:

The Negro American League held their annual meeting at Appomattox Club, in Chicago, on Dec. 9 and Dec. 10th.

The following clubs were present: Chicago, Toledo, Memphis, Kansas City, Cleveland, St. Louis, and their new member Birmingham.

Dr. J. B. Martin of Memphis was elected President by a five to two vote over Major R. R. Jackson of Chicago, their former President. Mr. Hall of Chicago was elected Vice-President, Frank Young of Chicago was elected Secretary, J. L. Williamson of Kansas City was elected Treasurer.

The A. N. L. also elected a committee to advertise the League.

President Tom Wilson, Cum Posey and Mrs. A. Manley attended the meeting, and were admitted to the meetings when inter-League questions were discussed.

Mrs. A. Manley presented the name of Judge Hastie for Commissioner of both Leagues, assuring the A. N. L. of the votes of N. Y. Black Yankees, Cuban Stars, and Newark Eagles of the N. N. L.

The A. N. L. did not accept Mr. Hastie on the grounds that this was not a joint meeting.

The A. N. L. fined Toledo \$250 for using player Benjamin of Homestead Grays under the name of Christopher.

Toledo was granted permission to play home games at Indianapolis on Sundays. St. Louis was granted permission to play home games at Evansville, IND., or Mounds, Ill..

A. N. L. went on record as favoring inter-league games during the regular playing season. This schedule to be made up at the meeting in Indianapolis, Ind. in February.

Homestead Grays presented a letter at this meeting, which demanded the return of Player Benjamin, expulsion of Toledo and \$100 in fine from "N. L..

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As compromise, the A. N. L. rescinded the \$250 fine of Toledo and Toledo was suspended until such time as they pay Homestead Grays \$1000 and return player Benjamin.

Tom Wilson showed A. N. L. where he had bought the Atlanta Players after the Atlanta Club and players had been declared Non-members of A. N. L..

A. N. L. requested that the N. N. L. meet with A. N. L. at Indianapolis in Feb. when an eighth member will be added to A. N. L.

Major R. R. Jackson was elected Commissioner of A. N. L..

Plans concerning East-West game are to be discussed at Feb. meeting.

You are asked at this time to be aware that the Venezuela interests are again seeking N. N. L. players/

Yours

Cum Posey, Sec.